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GENERAL AND REVENUE SECRETARIAT.

Serial Nos. 114

Part B for March 1942.

SUBJECT.

Appointment of two committees of official & non official gentlemen to investigate into the causes of the recent disturbances in Bengal and to frame rules to prevent such disturbances in future.

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Submitted to His Highness

In connection with the recent disturbances in Bangalore City, I held a meeting of the leaders of the several communities on the 3rd instant to consider the present situation and suggest measures for promoting good feeling among them. Nearly 40 non-official gentlemen were present and the interchange of views served to clear much of the misunderstanding which had led to the disturbances. As I stated in my earlier report to His Highness, false rumours were responsible to a large extent for the unhappy events, but it was also clear that a campaign of vilification was being carried on against the Government.

A suggestion was made at the meeting and from several other quarters that the causes of the disturbances should be investigated by an independent Committee composed of official and non-official gentlemen. The Members of Council and myself consider that it would be expedient to adopt this course and suggest that a Committee composed of the following gentlemen be appointed for the purpose:-

Rajasabhabhushana Mr. K. Chandy, B.A., - Chairman

Members.

1. Lt.Col. C.R.H.P.Landon, C.B.E., D.S.O., Chief Commandant.
2. Rajasabhabhushana Dewan Bahadur Mr. C. Srikanteswara Aiyar, B.A., B.L.,
3. Rajakaryaprasakta Rao Bahadur Mr. M. Shama Rao, M.A., Retired Inspector-General of Education.
4. Mr. B. Nagappa, Bar-at-law, Legal Remembrancer & Secretary to Government, Law Department.
5. Mr. Gulam Ahmad Kalami
6. M Ramachandra Rao Scindia

Secretary.

Mr. C. Narayanaswami Naidu, B.A., B.L., Subordinate Judge.

This Committee will begin to function after the Magisterial enquiry into the events is concluded. As it is desirable

to have an officer of fairly high standing to conduct this enquiry, it is proposed to appoint Mr. C. Machaia as Additional District Magistrate, Bangalore District, for one month. He will be given a consolidated pay of Rs1,000/- during this period.

The recent events, as well as our previous experience have shewn the necessity for taking measures to prevent strikes among students of schools and colleges, as well as to punish those who take part in such strikes. Rules for this purpose have been framed in several provinces of British India and before enacting similar rules here, it is thought advisable to have the matter examined by a Committee composed of the following gentlemen:-

Mr. K. R. Srinivasa Iyengar, M.A., - Chairman.

Members.

1. Dr. E. P. Metcalfe, D.Sc.,
2. Mr. N. S. Subba Rao, M.A., Bar-at-law
3. Rev. Mr. Walden
4. Mr.K.Shankarnarayana Rao, M.A., B.L.,
5. Mr. M. Venkatakrishnayya,
6. Mr. K. H. Ramayya, B.A., Bar-at-law
7. Mr. D. S. Mallappa
8. Mr. B.S. Ranoji Rao, B.A.,

Secretary.

Mr. Sultan Mohiyuddin, M.A., LL.B., M.ED.

I request His Highness's gracious approval to these

Mirza M. Ismail

Dewan.

Bangalore,
5th August 1928.)

Record of Cases submitted for the Orders of His Highness the Maharaja.

Subject.

Appointment of two Committees of official and non-official gentlemen to investigate into the causes of the recent disturbances in Bangalore City and to frame rules to prevent such strikes in future.

Order.

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6/8/28

Extract from the Proceedings of the 826th *Meeting of the Council of His Highness the Maharaja, held at Bangalore on the* 9th August 1928. *19*

17. Subject. – Clause xii of the schedule.

Appointment of a Committee to enquire into the causes of the recent disturbances in Bangalore

OPINION OF THE COUNCIL

In modification of the previous resolution, the Council were of opinion that the Committee to investigate the causes of the recent disturbances be constituted as follows:--

Chairman.

Rajasabhushana Mr. K. Chandy,

Members:--

1. Mr. Justice Ramachandra Rao
2. " Kalami,
3. " Ralph Mye,
4. Sir K.P.Puttanna Chetty.
5. Mr. B.Nagappa
6. Mr. S.P.Rajagopala Char.
7. Mr. A.Thangavelu Mudaliar,
8. Mr. M.Chengiah Chetty.

Secretary.

Mr. T.Singaravelu Mudaliar.

The draft Government Order containing terms of reference to the Committee was approved.

EXTRACT

(Signed) Mirza M.Ismail

Dewan of Mysore

Chief Secretary to Government.

WD 1471—GPB—2,000—1-8-21

CS 38-28-114

Submitted to His Highness

These papers relate to the appointment of a Committee to investigate the causes of the recent disturbances in the Bangalore City.

2. In continuation of my Submission Note dated the 5th August 1928 and His Highness's orders dated the 6th instant on the subject, I beg to state that the personnel of the Committee was further considered in Council at the meeting held on the 9th instant and a few changes were proposed. The terms of reference to the Committee were also discussed

3. A draft order giving the names of the gentlemen finally selected to constitute the Committee and the terms of reference is submitted for His Highness's gracious approval

Mirza M. Ismail

Bangalore,
10th August 1928.

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H.D. 3/42

Record of Cases submitted for the Order of His Highness the Maharaja.

Subject.

Draft Order regarding the personnel of the Committee to investiga the causes for the recent disturbanc in Bangalore City.

Order.

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PROCEEDINGS OF THE GOVERNMENT OF HIS HIGHNESS THE MAHARAJA OF MYSORE.

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O R D E R No:-

Dated, Bangalore the 6th Aug.'28.

In connection with the recent disturbances in Bangalore City, a suggestion has been made from several quarters that the origin and causes of these disturbances --- should be investigated by an independent -- Committee composed of official and non-official gentlemen. Agreeing with this view, Government are pleased to appoint a Committee, --- consisting of the following gentlemen, to enquire into the matter and suggest measures to prevent a recurrence of such disturbances:-

Rajasabhabhushana
Mr. K. Chandy, B.A., Member of Council (Retired). — CHAIRMAN.

To be released in accordance with the Settlement

Dewan Bahdur Rajasabhabhushana
Mr. C. Srikanteswara Iyer, B.A., B.L.,

Mr. Ramachandra Rao Scindia.

Mr. Gulam Ahmed Kalami.

Mr. B. Nagappa, Bar-at-Law., Legal Remembrancer and Secretary to Govt. Law Department.

Lt. Col. C.R.H.P. Landon, C.B.E., D.S.O., Chief Commandant, Mysore State Troops

— MEMBERS

Mr. C. Narayanaswami Naidu, B.A., B.L. Subordinate Judge. — SECRETARY.

2. The Committee will begin work soon after the Magisterial investigation into the events is concluded.

CHIEF SECRETARY TO GOVT

To

P.T.O.

To

The Inspector-General of Police.
The Chief Commandant, M.S.T.
The District Magistrate, Bangalore Dist.
The Director of Public Instruction in Mysore.
The Registrar, Mysore University.
The Registrar, Chief Court of Mysore.
The Comptroller to Government.

Copy to Gentlemen constituting the Committee.
Press Table.

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7/8/47

The Govt of H.H. the Maharaja have, in a series of communiques issued by them from day to day, given to the public an authentic account of the recent Strike of the Students and the disturbances connected therewith. The facts given in the communiques are based on information supplied by responsible authorities & Govt have no reason whatever to doubt their accuracy. But care is given both by the local and the outside press to various statements which are partisan in nature, sensational in character and mischievous in their tendency. Apart from the Press, Govt are aware that exaggerated rumours of all kinds are being spread by various ways by irresponsible persons. [illegible] Govt are glad to note that in spite of the disturbing facts, the situation in Bangalore and Mysore is perfectly normal. But yet they think it desirable that [illegible] anxiety

The Secretary to Government

Suspicion, and [illegible] doubt should be removed and that steps should be taken to promote a sense of unity, harmony and good [illegible] & a spirit of confidence which the Govt. hold necessary for the welfare of all communities, one of the main suggestions made was the appointment of a committee to go into the origin of the recent occurrences at Bangalore. Govt accept the suggestion & are pleased to appoint a Committee consisting of the following

To decide what steps to take to promote fellowship among the citizens of the State

The Com will begin its sittings after the completion of the magisterial investigation which is now progressing. They will examine the causes underlying the disturbances, locate the elements of disharmony and disorder and propose measures calculated to remove such elements & prevent such disturbances hereafter

OFFICE OF THE DEWAN OF MYSORE.

ORDERS.

the appointment of two Committees in connection with the recent disturbances.

OFFICE NOTE.

Telephone Message

To

The Dewan of Mysore

Bangalore

File No 86 received back from H.H. this morning and I am returning it with the special messenger tonight

Dom. T. Thumboo Chetty

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8.8.20

Rec'd at 4/10 P.M.

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Mr Chas. Meg has to consult the Members of the Committee other than as stated in his letter before he submits a Counsel Report

Proceedings of the Government of H. H. the Maharaja of Mysore.

Order No.

The recent unfortunate occurrences in the City of Bangalore have given rise to various exaggerated accounts and unfounded rumours, which have found publicity in some newspapers; and there still appears to be a general feeling of uneasiness in the public mind, although the facts as ascertained and verified by responsible authorities have been published by Govt. from time to time. With a view to concert measures for removing all causes for doubt and anxiety and restore mutual goodwill and harmony among all sections of the people, Government conferred with the leaders of the different communities at a meeting held in the Dewan's Chambers on the 3rd August 1928. At this meeting, a suggestion was made that a Committee of officers and non-official gentlemen should be appointed to conduct a public inquiry into the origin and causes of the recent disturbances and to propose measures for preventing such occurrences in future. This suggestion has been repeated from other quarters also and commends itself to Government.

They are accordingly pleased to appoint a Committee constituted as follows:--

Chairman.

Rajasabhushana Mr. K. Chandy.

Members:

1. Mr. Justice Ramachandra Rao
2. " Gulam Ahmed Kalami,

P.T.O.

3. Mr. Ralph Nye,
4. ~~Sir K.P. Puttanna Chetty,~~ H. G. Basavaya M.L.C.
5. Mr. B. Nagappa,
6. ~~Mr. S.P. Rajagopalachar,~~ Manicka Vila M.L.C.
7. ~~Mr. A. Thangavelu~~ Mudaliar,
8. ~~Mr. M. Chengiah Chetty.~~ A. Chenna Reddi

Secretary.

Mr. T. Singaravelu Mudaliar.

The Committee will be requested to ascertain the causes and the course of events that led to the disturbances, and the various influences at work in aggravating them, and suggest measures for preventing such disturbances in future, and creating harmony between different communities. The Committee may also inquire whether adequate steps were ~~being~~ taken by the local officers in the matter of these disturbances. Officers of Government and the non-official public are requested to co-operate with the Committee in their labours.

The Committee will commence its work as soon as the magisterial investigation which is now proceeding is concluded. The information obtained in the course of the investigation will be made available to the Committee, who may collect any further evidence they deem necessary for the purpose of the inquiry.

Chief Secretary to Govt.

To

Chairman
The ~~President~~ and Members of the
Committee.
Comptroller to Govt.

General and Revenue Secretariat. File No. of 192

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	(i) to ascertain the sequence, general features and underlying causes of the various occurrences which took place in Bangalore in connection with the disturbances;
	(ii) to examine the extent and nature of ~~the~~ injuries to person or damage to property that occurred in this connection;
	(iii) to ascertain whether any false and alarming rumours were spread and whether any sinister propaganda was carried on, tending to create or aggravate the trouble and if so, to trace the responsibility therefor;
	(iv) to investigate the adequacy of the precautions taken and the measures adopted at each stage, in order to control the situation by the Magistracy, the Police and by the officers of the Education Department, and the extent of co-operation received in this connection from different sections of the public and their leaders.
	(v) To consider the measures which may be adopted in order to ~~avoid or minimise~~ prevent such disturbances in future

NOTE—Contn. Sheet.

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Recent occurrences indicate that school students
children are exposed to influences
outside of the authority of the home
and the school. Govt view this with
concern and think that steps should
be taken to safeguard school life.
from such pernicious influences, in
the best interests of the students
themselves. They are therefore pleased
to appoint a Committee consist-
ing of the following official and
non-official gentlemen to examine
the causes of the recent strikes
among students, in Bangalore & elsewhere in
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Chairman
Mr K. R. Srinivasa Iyengar
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Members
Dr F P Metcalfe
Mr V. S. Subba Rao
Rev C. Walden

Rama Rao

20/8

Dear Mr. Madhava Rao,

The Diwan has
handed over to me charge
this afternoon

Yours truly
M. Visvesvaraya

GENERAL AND REVENUE SECRETARIAT.

Dated, Bangalore. 6th August 1928.

PRESS COMMUNIQUE—VII.

Government propose to appoint a Committee consisting of official and non-official members to examine the origin and causes of the recent disturbances at Bangalore and to suggest measures for the prevention of such incidents in future. The Committee will begin its work as soon as the Magisterial investigation, now in progress, is concluded.

A second Committee, also consisting of official and non-official members, will be appointed to examine the causes of the recent strikes among students and to propose measures to improve discipline in schools and prevent strikes in future.

The names of the members of the two Committees and the terms of reference will be shortly announced.

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Two draft G.Os are sent for approval.

Hon'ble Member 6/8

Dewan.

DEWAN'S OFFICE
Received on
8 - AUG. 1928
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From B. Shyama, M.K.A., B.Sc.
Lal Bagh Road,
Bangalore City.

To The Dewan Saheb,
Carlton House,
Bangalore.

Respected Sir,

Being given to understand that the Govt. are going to appoint two committees consisting of Officials and Non-Officials for enquiring into the origin of the recent disturbances that have unfortunately happened at Bangalore and to suggest ways and means for allaying same, I wish to inform you that I am willing to serve on the said committee in my capacity as an elected member to the Mysore Representative assembly having secured the highest number of votes in most of the Divisions from Bangalore City. Thanking you very much in anticipation

Bangalore City
the 6th August 1928.

Yours most obediently,
B. Shyama

Serial No.

9/8

Dear Mr Madhava Rao

I have read the draft which is enclosed I think it is essential that the enquiry and report as to the steps taken by the local officers. Otherwise the public will not be satisfied.

Kindly phone to Sheshadri Iyer to have it cleared up for my occupation tomorrow. The Servants are leaving tonight, I go tomorrow.

Thanking you

Yours sincerely

N Chanda

NOTE—Contn. Sheet.

In connection with the recent disturbances in Bangalore, Government have endeavoured, in a series of Press Communiques, to place the public from time to time in possession of the actual facts, as ascertained and verified by responsible authorities. But it is found that currency is still being given, in a few newspapers and by other means, to sensational rumours calculated to create uneasiness in the public mind. It is a matter for satisfaction that in spite of such rumours, the situation in Bangalore and elsewhere continues to be quiet. ~~At the same time, however, it is felt~~ Govt consider that steps should be taken to remove all cause for doubt or anxiety and to restore mutual goodwill and harmony among all sections of the people. At a meeting held by Government with the leaders of the different communities to concert measures for this purpose, it was suggested that a Committee of officers and non-official gentlemen should be appointed to conduct a public inquiry into the origin and causes of the recent disturbances and to propose measures for preventing such ~~incidents~~ occurrences in future. The suggestion has been repeated from other quarters also and commends itself to Government.

I would omit all this. It will create an unfavourable impression.

The recent unfortunate occurrences in the City of Bangalore have given rise to various exaggerated and unfounded rumours which have found publicity in Home News papers; & there still appears to be a General feeling of uneasiness in the public mind, altho the facts as ascertained and verified by responsible authorities have been published by Govt from time to time. In view to removing all causes for doubt and anxiety & restore mutual good will and harmony among all sections of the people, Govt Concert measures & entered into with the leaders of the different Communities at a meeting held in the Dewan's Chamber on the At this meeting the suggestion was made that

They are accordingly pleased to appoint a Committee constituted as follows:

The Committee will be requested to ascertain the Course of events that led to the disturbances, the various influences at work in aggravating them & suggest measures for prevention of such disturbances in future, and the creating harmony between different Communities. The Committee may also inquire whether adequate steps were being taken by the local Govt as the matter of these disturbances. Govt & the non-official public are requested to Cooperate with the Committee in their labours.

The Committee will be requested

(i) to ascertain the course of events which led to the disturbances,

(ii) ~~to inquire into the origin and~~ underlying causes of the disturbances and the various influences at work in creating or aggravating them,

This seems unnecessary as Course of events includes it.

(iii) to ~~sift and~~ trace the responsibility for ~~any unhealthy propaganda, if any, carried on in connection with the disturbances~~ circulating rumours & communal rumours of the occurrences & rumours in connection with the disturbances

(iv) to propose measures ~~to be adopted~~ in order ~~to prevent the occurrence~~ of such disturbances in future, and

(v) ~~to submit a report on the above points.~~

The Committee will commence its work as soon as the magisterial ~~investigation into the events~~ which is now proceeding is concluded. The information obtained in the course of the investigation will be made available to the Committee

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21st August 1928.

Dear Mr. Johnson,

With reference to your letter of this date, I am sending you two railway passes for the 'Madras Mail' representatives to go to Mysore and return.

Referring to the postcript in your letter, may I inform you that there is only one Committee of inquiry in respect of the recent disturbances and Sir M. Visvesvaraya has accepted the Chairmanship of the Committee. As regards the result of yesterday's meeting, I can only give my personal impression. I thought the exchange of views helped to a large extent to clear misconceptions. The muffusil members, in particular, seemed to realise that after all it was a small affair, which had been greatly exaggerated and that in the Mysore State there can be no Hindu-Moslem problem.

Yours sincerely,

Mirza

W. H. Johnson, Esqr.,
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TO Dewan of Mysore Bangalore

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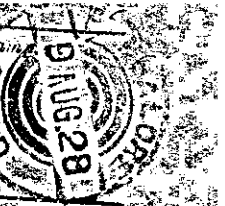

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GENERAL AND REVENUE SECRETARIAT,

MR. N. MADHAVA RAO,
Chief Secretary to Government.

Dated, Bangalore, 2nd Septr. *1928.*

D.O. No. 1131-36/C.B.38-28.

Reference:- Govt. Order No.1042-1102/C.B.38-28-114, Dated, 28th August 1928, appointing a Committee to inquire into the recent disturbances in Bangalore City.

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Dear Sir,

I am desired to inform you that a preliminary meeting of the above Committee will be held at 8-30 A.M. on Tuesday the 4th September 1928 at 'Uplands', High Ground Bangalore, the residence of Sir M.Visvesvaraya. The object of the meeting is to settle the procedure and make other preparations for the work of the Committee which will hold regular sittings from the 12th September 1928.

I am to express the hope that you will very kindly make it convenient to attend the meeting.

Yours sincerely,

NCM

T o

The Members of the Committee of Enquiry.

Express Telegram.

T o

(1) Ralph Nye, Esqr., Care John Taylor & Sons Committee
Oorgaum (K.G.F.)

(2) H.G.Basavappa, Esqr., Member Legislative Council
Holehanasavadi, Shimoga.

Preliminary meeting of Enquiry Committee will be held on Tuesday at 8-30 A.M. at Uplands High Ground. Trust you could kindly arrange to attend.

-- CHISEC --

Chief Secretary to the Govt. of Mysore,
Bangalore.

Dated, 2nd Septr. 1928.

Express Telegram. Seal

To

Hustice Rama Rao, Esquire,
Care Kalale Krishna Rao, Esqr.,
District Educational Officer,
Chamundi Extension, Mysore.

Preliminary meeting of Enquiry Committee will be held ~~on~~ tomorrow Tuesday at 8-30 A.M. at Uplands High Ground. Trust you could kindly arrange to attend.

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From

Chief Secretary to Government,
Bangalore.

3rd September 1928.

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TO Dewan Bangalore

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TO Mirza Ismail
Esq Dewan Bangalore

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Visvesvaraya

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1181/C.S.38

3rd September 1928

My dear Sir,

I am desired to inform you that the Bangalore Disturbances Enquiry Committee will hold its sittings for about a month from the 12th September 1928. I am to enquire if it is possible to place the Daly Memorial Hall at the disposal of the Committee and to say that Government will be greatly obliged if this request is complied with.

Yours sincerely,

To

Rajakaryaprasakta

Rao Bahadur M.Shama Rao, Esq.; M.A.,

Retired Inspector General of Education,

& President, Mythic Society,

Chamarajpet, Bangalore.

BANGALORE DISTURBANCES ENQUIRY COMMITTEE

A preliminary meeting of the Bangalore Disturbances Enquiry Committee appointed in Government Order No. 1042-1102/C.B. 38-28-114, dated the 28th August 1928, was held at "Upland" High Ground, Bangalore, on the 4th September 1928. The following members were present:-

1. Sir M. Visvesvarayya, K.C.I.E., (Chairman)
2. Mr. Justice D.K. Rama Rao, B.A., B.L.
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Mr. V. Manickavelu Mudaliar was absent being out of station and there being no time to communicate with him.

The Committee after full discussion arrived at the following decisions:-

i. Committee sittings to commence at 11-30 A.M. on the 12th September 1928.

ii. Hours of meeting to be ordinarily from 11-30 A.M. to 5-30 P.M. with an hour's interval for lunch.

iii. The Members to meet first in Chambers by themselves not later than 11-15 A.M. each day

iv. Members to receive a Daily Allowance of Rs. 12/- for the days they attend the meetings in addition to any Travelling Allowance they may be entitled to.

v. Government to be requested to place at the disposal of the Committee, the services of a Government Officer to arrange for the production of witnesses at the proper time.

vi. In addition to the three stenographers kindly to be lent, Government to be requested to lend also the services of a competent officer to pass the proofs and arrange for the printing of the evidence at the latest on the 4th day after the evidence is recorded.

vii. Government to be requested also to provide competent translators to render into English evidence taken in Kannada, Urdu and other Vernaculars.

viii. Government to be requested to supply the committee with copies of important evidence taken by the Additional Dist. Magistrate, and also with copies of the various Press Communiques (2 or 3 sets) issued on the subject, of the proceedings of the two Conferences held on the 3rd and the 20th August 1928, and any press cuttings available.

ix. The more important witnesses to be asked to send at least 3 days in advance an abstract statement of the evidence they propose to place before the Committee.

x. The Secretary to prepare a brief history of events in chronological order.

11. Whenever the Committee deems it necessary to take evider "in camera" or the witnesses themselves desire this procedure, the Chairman, in consultation with the Members, may decide the manner in which such evidence is to be taken.

Secretary.

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4. The Terms of Reference to the Committee are:—

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5. The information obtained in the course of the magisterial investigation now in progress will be placed at the disposal of the Committee, which will commence its enquiry as soon as possible.

6. Government trust the Committee will receive all the help and co-operation needed in their labours both from the officers of Government and the general public.

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